Mountain Lodge No. 15, Knights of Pythias, who suffered the loss of their paraphernalia by the burning of the G. A. R. hall, several weeks since, has received a fine new outfit. The affairs of this lodge are in excellent condition and during the coming month they will add a number of new names to their roll.

T. R. Gabel, formerly superintendent of the Atlantic and Pacific railroad, now the Santa Pacific, was a passenger on No. 1 Thursday. He was accompanied by his family, who will spend the winter at Los Angeles. Mr. Gabel is interested in a Georgia railroad and has his headquarters at Washington, D. C. He will return to that city sometime next month.

About the first of the month one of Harry Fulton's sheep-herders, found, west of Sunset mountain, a roan Navajo pony, with a saddle on. A gun scabbard, picket rope and a pair of spurs were tied to the saddle. The horse was reined up and could not get its head down to eat and it is supposed, when found, had been in that condition several days. Diligent Inqury has been made for the owner but so far he can not be found. The owner can have the horse by calling at Fulton's winter ranch.

Flagstaff Lodge No. 7, F. & A. M., on Monday night, installed the following officers for the year 1899: T. E. Pullium, W. M.; J. A. Maurer, S. W.; J. A. Miller, J. W.; Dr. E. S. Miller, secretary: T. E. Pollock, treasurer: Wm. McIntire, S. D.; T. J. Coalter, J. D.; Wm. Freidlein, S. S.; J. C. Joyce, J. S.: J. H. Morse, tyler. After the installiation of officers the members of the lodge, with their wives and sweethearts, partook of an elegant banquet at the New Bank hotel, and an enjoyable time was had by those present. 1888, to the wife of Burt Hoffman, a daughter.

The lodge is prospering as it never has before and many new names have been added to its roster during the past year.

Nearly everyone in town was invited to 'possum and sweet taters" at the New Bank hotel Saturday night. The billiard hall, where the spread was had, was well filled with people, and the occasion was enlivened by song, repartee and good cheer. The 'possum table was presided over by Charley Dudley, who gave a dessertation on "de 'possum and de 'simmons in de frost time in South Carolina." Mine host Tolfree welcomed the guests in a neat speech, which was responded to by Wiliiam Whalen, after which was sung, "Carve dat 'possum, carve dat 'possum, childlen."

The Christmas tree at the Methodist church, under the direction of Rev. J. M. Baxter, was an unqualified success. After an excellent musical and recitative program, Santa Claus, represented by Mr. Roberts, and Mrs. Santa Claus, by Miss Margaret Wallace, were ushered in and distributed the many beautiful presents displayed on the tree. They were received with great enthusiasm by the young folks (including Uncle George Hoxworth). One of the young ladies, in the exuberance of her joy, threw her present in the air, and it landed on the head of an innocent and unsuspecting young man in the audience. The affair was an enjoyable one. and the children of the Sunday-school, under the management of Miss Laura Hoxworth, should be congratulated.

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